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Proudly Presents:

## How to Market Yourself and Network Effectively

June 22, 2017 - 5:30PM-8:00PM

Panel: 5:45PM-6:45PM

Social: 7:00PM-8:00PM

**Mecklenburg County Bar Center**  
2850 Zebulon Avenue  
Charlotte, North Carolina 28208

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**HON.  
ARETHA V. BLAKE**

Mecklenburg County  
District Court Judge

Judge Blake was recently elected to the Mecklenburg County District Court bench. Previously, Judge Blake was the Assistant Dean for Student Professional Development at the Charlotte School of Law, Special Counsel at a large law firm, and a partner in a small firm.



**MICHELLE  
GESSNER**

The Law Offices of  
Michelle Gessner

Michelle Gessner is an experienced solo practitioner who provides “outside” general counsel and litigation management services to companies of all sizes, practices labor and employment law, and serves as a certified mediator in a variety of disputes.



**KIARA HARLOW**

Recruiter  
Parker and Lynch

Ms. Harlow recruits partner, associate, and in-house attorneys to law firms and companies in North and South Carolina. Ms. Harlow graduated from the University of South Carolina School of Law and has worked in the legal recruiting field since 2014.



**KATIE  
SCHWARTING**

Managing Partner  
Bryan Cave

Ms. Schwarting is the Managing Partner at Bryan Cave, where her practice focuses on securitization of commercial real estate assets, and general corporate finance matters. Prior to joining Bryan Cave, Ms. Schwarting worked at the Mortgage Bankers Association in Washington, D.C. and at Wachovia Securities.